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PRESIDENT'S PAGE . . . . . Albert L. Baber

I recently attended a hobby show and have concluded that 'collecting' is by far the most popular of hobbies. At this show persons of the community exhibited items pertinent to their hobby—and this included everything imaginable — such as barbed wire, buttons, clocks, Christmas cards, coins, guns, handkerchiefs, match books, and rocks, to name a few. Other items on exhibit would for the most part fall under creative objects —art work, paintings, pictures made with stones or broken glass, water colors, model railroads, model airplanes, model household furniture (I saw some 1/10th scale model washing machines and electric stoves that actually operated). There was also an abundance of needlework and leathercraft.

The La Mesa Numismatic Society members, in supporting this hobby show for the past decade, place joint coin exhibits of seven to ten cases, and members take turns at being on hand during the two days to answer any questions visitors may have about our hobby. Naturally one meets people with interests in other hobbies, and in talking with these people it is very apparent that a few of them collect for the sheer enjoyment, or as a relaxation from their normal occupation. Most have an eye toward making his hobby a profit-making venture — how much monetary gain will I be able to make on that clock, that Colonial brass button, or that 1916-D dime?

I believe this commercialization is presently hurting the numismatic hobby because it prices the young collectors right out of collecting, since speculators are hoarding key or premium coins. Yet on the other hand, speculators, in hoarding these coins as an investment, are preserving coins so that future generations of numismatists will have them available. Barring a national recession or depression, a good quantity of our silver coins will be kept out of the melting pot. It would be disastrous if our Government should switch from our present sandwich coins to coins of a solid metal. There would then be no need to hoard these sandwich coins for their intrinsic value; therefore, we would not have the speculators assistance in preserving these coins. Numismatists will hoard the low mintage issues for their numismatic value, so a hundred years hence these low mintage coins become more abundant, particularly uncirculated condition, than the high mintage dates.

Now that I am on the subject of mintage quantity, I would like to expound on what I consider to be one of the greatest sleepers in Californiana —our own Cal-State Past President medals. The bronze at $5 and the silver at $15 (or the set for $18) is one of the best medal purchases of today. Many of the bronze are less than 100 pieces struck, yet people are buying other bronze medals at $4.50 from commercial manufacturers with a mintage of several thousand. I know several members voted against this method of honoring our past presidents back in 1965 when it was proposed, yet at both the executive board meeting and at the general membership business meeting this program was approved by a great majority. I, myself, was a "Nay" voter. However, I am a strong believer in majority rules as a means of success. I have and will continue to support this program. This program also needs the support of you, the membership. Any democratic organization, such as the California State Numismatic Association, must have a majority rule; and if we fail to support this method of governing, the organization soon deteriorates beyond the capability of functioning in any capacity. I look at my membership in the organization somewhat like a marriage—in order to get the good, you also must take the bad.

Our next big program—the reprint of the best in Calcoin News—"Money Talks"—has had good support from the membership. Unfortunately, due to what I call "free labor" human elements, we have not met our target release date. We now have a good working committee in Jim Betton and Bob Berman, and if we can keep them working we should have this book out for our Spring convention.

Speaking of conventions, we have only two firm locations after Sacramento in April. These are the Fall 1970 convention in Los Angeles at the

Hilton Hotel with Dan Harley as general chairman, and the Spring 1971, Fresno, with Paul Endler as general chairman. Clubs wishing to sponsor a future CSNA convention are asked to please let me know, and your representative will be given time to make a formal request at the Spring 1970 convention. You should plan eighteen months to two years ahead in order to get good dates at the best hotel in your area.

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Save The Old "S" Mint

Following is a continuation of the articles which appeared on page 97 of the Fall 1969, and on page 4 of the Winter 1970 issues of Calcoin News, in regard to the most important project—**Save the Old "S" Mint Building From Destruction.**

On Jan. 22 a meeting was held in San Francisco to discuss this subject. A fact finding board, appointed by Robert Finch, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, heard a considerable number of persons speak on the subject of preserving this old historic building and possible uses for it.

CSNA members present were: Gordon B. Hunt of Elsinore, Angelo R. Turrini of San Rafael, John Fies of San Carlos, Mrs. Harry Cutler of San Francisco, and your editor. Hunt and Fies presented very strong arguments as to why the building should be saved and turned over to the Smithsonian Institution as its West Coast Branch.

On Feb. 10 another meeting was held and at which time the board heard proponents of the argument that the building should be demolished and the property turned over to San Francisco State College for a high-rise downtown campus. Present at this meeting were CSNA members: Angelo Turrini of San Rafael, John Fies of San Carlos, and John Yee of San Francisco.

From the arguments heard from both sides, and from the apparent unofficial statements of some of the members of the board—the property should be turned over to the Smithsonian Institution. A six-month period has been granted by the board for further study of the situation.

Now—do not delay. Write to any, or better yet, to all of the following persons (all of whom are officers or trustees of the Smithsonian Institution), advising them that you highly favor retention of this old building (one which played such an important part in the history of San Francisco and the West Coast) and the turning over of it to the Smithsonian Institution for its West Coast Branch:-

Spiro T. Agnew, Vice President of the United States.
Warren E. Burger, Chief Justice of the United States.
Clinton P. Anderson, J. William Fulbright, Hugh Scott, all members of the U.S. Senate.
Frank T. Bow, George H. Mahon, Michael J. Kirwan, all members of the U.S. House of Representatives.
S. Dillon Ripley, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

Two other persons who should also be written to are:
Robert Finch, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare.
George Murphy, our own California Senator in Washington.

All of these gentlemen may be addressed in Washington, D.C.

Write now—do not delay! Stir up interest in this matter and let these gentlemen know our wishes in this matter. Have your friends and relatives write. They need not be numismatists—they can be collectors of other items, historians, students, or persons interested in any and all phases of Americana.

If we all work together we will certainly win this battle—and do the people of the West Coast of the United States (and of Canada and Mexico) an immense favor.

Act now!

Calendar of Numismatic Events

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

March 28 .....Second Annual Seminar
Boyd Auditorium, Long Beach
Maurice M. Gould, moderator, P.O. Box 2407, Sepulveda 91343

April 24-26 .....46th Semi-Annual Convention
Senator Hotel, Sacramento
Darvin L. Reiswig, general chairman, 5518 24th St., Sacramento 95822
A. G. Yeager, asst. gen. chairman, 1820 "I" St., Sacramento 95814
Don Raines, bourse chairman, 2026 Broadway, Sacramento 95818
Vincent Beretta, exhibit chairman, 2931 Trentwood Wy., Sacramento 95822

Oct. 30-Nov. 1 .....47th Semi-Annual Convention
Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles
Dan Harley, general chairman, 637 W. Arrow Hwy., Claremont 91711
William O. Wisslead, asst. gen. chairman, 2053 Cypress Ave.,
Santa Ana 92707

April 16-18, 1971 .....48th Semi-Annual Convention
Del Webb's TowneHouse, Fresno
R. Paul Endler, general chairman, 862 W. Alamos Ave., Clovis 93612

OTHERS

March 15 .....Sixth Annual Coin Show, Napa Valley Coin Club
Napa Fairgrounds, Napa
George Wells, bourse chairman, 313 Tammy Way, Napa 94558

March 21-22 .....Sixth Annual Coin Show, Redding Numismatic Society
Shasta High School Cafeteria, Redding
Gale Reiney, bourse chairman, P.O. Box 1831, Redding 96001

March 21-22 .....Fourth Annual National Error-A-Rama
Orange County Numismatic Error Club, Host
Charter House Hotel, Anaheim
William Wells, general chairman, P.O. Box 3369, Fullerton 92634

April 18-19 .....Fourth Annual Coin Show, Eureka Coin Club
Home Economics Bldg., Redwood Acres Fairground, Eureka
Harry Dixon, chairman, P.O. Box 505, Eureka 95501

May 17 .....Seventh Annual Coin Show, San Bernardino County Coin Club
Cafeteria Bldg., Orange Show Grounds, San Bernardino
Nona G. Moore, co-chairman, P.O. Box 245, Fontana 92335
Ed McClung, co-chairman, P.O. Box 2443, Riverside

May 24 .....Ninth Annual Coin-a-rama, Covina Coin Club
West Covina American Legion Hall, 320 N. Azusa Ave., West Covina
Frank Strauss, general chairman, 623 West Lemon Ave., Monrovia 91016

June 5-7 .....Eleventh Annual Coin Show, West Coast Numismatic Association
McCabe Hall ,Almaden and San Carlos Sts., San Jose
Lillian Hooker, secretary, P.O. Box 5075, San Jose 95150

June 7 .....Pomona Valley Coinarama
Ebell Club House, East Holt Ave., Pomona
Art Dupont, general chairman, P.O. Box 36, Pomona 91766

June 7 .....Fourth Annual Coin Show, Oxnard Coin Club
Oxnard Recreation Center, 800 Hobson Way, Oxnard

June 19-21 .....Seventh Annual Convention of International Numismatics
Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles
Jerry Yahalom, general chairman, P.O. Box 893, Woodland Hills 91364

Aug. 5-8 .....17th Annual Convention, Canadian Numismatic Association
Hotel Nova Scotian, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada
Elliott Fineberg, general chairman, c/o Halifax Coin Club,
Box 243, Armdale, Nova Scotia, Canada

Aug. 18-22 .....79th Annual Convention, American Numismatic Association
Chase-Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri
D. L. Cooper, general chairman, 112 Signal Hill Dr., St. Louis, Mo. 63121

46th CSNA Semi-Annual Convention

All plans for our coming Cal-State convention at Sacramento, April 24-26, are progressing at a fine rate. Following is the tentative program for this three-day event:

FRIDAY, April 24, 1970

9:00 AM—Bourse and exhibit areas open for set up. Registration for dealers and exhibitors.
10:00 AM—Registration for members and guests; bourse and exhibit room open; hospitality room open.
1:00 PM—CSNA executive board meeting.
8:00 PM—Educational forum.
10:00 PM—Convention activities close for the day.

SATURDAY, April 25, 1970

9:00 AM—Bourse area open to dealers.
10:00 AM—Registration, hospitality room, and bourse and exhibits open.
10:30 AM—CSNA general business meeting.
3:00 PM—California Exonumist Society's quarterly meeting.
6:00 PM—No-host cocktail hour.
7:00 PM—Banquet and presentation of awards; entertainment. (Bourse and exhibits remain open)
10:00 PM—Convention activities close for the day.

SUNDAY, April 26, 1970

9:00 AM—Bourse area open to dealers.
10:00 AM—Registration, hospitality room, and bourse and exhibits open.
5:30 PM—Donation-prize drawing. Exhibits to be removed.
6:00 PM—Convention officially closes.

As stated above, this is a tentative program only. Please refer to the official program which you will receive at time of registering for room numbers, possible changes in time of certain events, and additional activities.

Adequate security will be available for the protection of the dealers' stock and the exhibits.

Convention headquarters will be at the **Senator Hotel**, Sacramento, described as being "the personal service hotel in the heart of the State's Capital". The hotel is located at 12th and L Sts., adjacent to the State Capitol building, and is within walking distance of the city's shopping and theatre district.

Our convention hotel rates are: Singles—$11.50; doubles—$14.50; and twin—$15.50. Hotel reservation cards are being enclosed with this issue of Calcoin News, and those staying at the hotel should make immediate reservations.

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YOUR HOST CLUB

The **Sacramento Valley Coin Club** had its beginning in 1956, when two avid coin collectors, Lew Walker and the late Steve Reynolds, met regularly to discuss their coins. Soon they were joined by 'Ace' Reiswig, meeting in each other's homes. Others joined and there were then six in the group.

A local newspaper ran an article telling about their hobby and asking anyone interested to attend a meeting called for Sept. 24, 1956. Twenty-four persons attended and formed the nucleus of the club, which was named the Sacramento Valley Coin Club. Today it is one of the largest and most active in Northern California.

The club held its first competitive coin display in 1957 at one of its regular meetings; and in 1958 sponsored its first Coin-a-Rama, which has become a regular annual affair attracting dealers and exhibitors from throughout the state.

In 1962 SVCC was host to the 30th semi-annual CSNA convention held at the El Dorado Hotel. Lew Walker served as general chairman, with 'Ace' Reiswig as assistant. One of the highlights of the show was the several thousand silver dollars, sprinkled generously with CC mint marks. These CC

dollars could be redeemed at $5 each (editor's comment: How I would like to get my hands on them now!). Not one of them was turned in for redemption. The dollars were made available to those attending at face value.

In 1967 SVCC was host for a second time to the semi-annual CSNA convention with 'Ace' Reiswig as general chairman. This also was a grand success.

Past presidents have been:

1957—John Funaro
1958—Lew Walker
1959—Darvin Reiswig
1960—Mrs. Frances Ferderer
1961—Dwight King
1962—Lew Walker
1963—Joe Cohen
1964—John Mullin
1965—Mrs. Dorothy Fumal
1966—Darvin Reiswig
1967—A. G. Yeager
1968—Ron Lerch
1969—Luther 'Dude' Cross

and with Vince Beretta holding down this office during 1970.

Current meeting place of SVCC is the Cafeteria of Bishop Manogue High School, corner of Broadway and 21st St., on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, at 8:00 PM. Visitors are always welcome. Mailing address: P.O. Box 8714, Sacramento 95822.

SVCC is proud to again be host to a CSNA convention, and is sure this third event in Sacramento will be as popular, as well attended and as successful as the previous two.

See you in Sacramento, our State Capital, April 24-26.

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PHILIPPINE COINAGE . . .

UNDER SPANISH DOMINATION

By FEDERICO CLAVERIA, Santa Barbara, CSNA 739

The war between Spain and the United States (1898) transferred the Philippines to the United States, and just a few years ago the Philippines were given their full independence from the United States.

It is not known what was the truly first Philippine money before the arrival of the Europeans, but with the coming of Magellan, coins of Spain were seen for the first time in the Philippines. Spanish colonizers from Mexico brought along with them coins struck in Mexico and South America. From the time of the Spanish conquest up to the end of the Spanish regime, Spain supplied the Philippines with coins. These were copper, silver and gold. Some coppers were minted in Mexico City, but the majority were struck in Spain. There are too many to describe here, however, they are

illustrated in "Coins of the World" by Wayte Raymond, volume 19th century.

Manila was centrally located on the trade routes to the Orient, and the increased trade with the New World brought more communication and commerce with many other countries, including many different coins. Coins of Mexico, Peru and Bolivia predominated with small lots coming from Chile, Colombia, Argentina, Brazil, Central America, France, United States, England, Holland and other foreign countries finding their way into the Philippines via trading vessels. All of these were accepted as legal tender. The Spanish authorities in Manila, fearing these large amounts of coins coming in from former Spanish colonies might induce the Philippine mind to revolt, decided to restrike these imported coins with a very large counterstamp in a manner to eliminate the original design of the issuing country. This counterstamping began in 1828 by orders of Mariano Ricafort, the Captain General of the Philippines.

The word MANILA with the date 1828 below established the obverse, and for the reverse the legend reads HABILITADO POR EL REY N.S.D. FERNANDO VIII around the arms of Spain. This countermark was intended to erase any sign of the issuing country but failed to do so, as all such coins still show traces of the original legends. 1828 and 1830 countermarks are known, but none exist dated 1829. Much trouble was had with this large countermarking die and in 1832 a new and smaller die was employed, consisting of a depressed circle with a pearl-lined crown and below an F.7° for Ferdinand VII, the reigning monarch.

With the passing of Ferdinand in 1833 and the accession to the throne of his daughter Isabell II, it was necessary to make a new die with the only change being a Y.II for Queen Isabell the II—in Spanish Isabel is spelled with a Y. These two countermarks are confined almost exclusively to crownsize coins.

According to Mr. DeJesus, the Philippine numismatist, a mint was established in Manila in 1861, striking minor coins for the monarchs Isabel II and Alfonzo XII, but no crown-size coins. In 1897 a crown-size coin of one peso was struck in Valencia for Alfonzo XIII and labeled ISLAS FILIPINAS.

In 1903 the United States replaced this conglomeration of coins with the new U. S. Philippine issues.

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"Money Talks"

A report just received from **James L. Betton Jr.** reads:

"Bob Berman and I have spent quite a bit of time on our reprint project. We have finally pried some proofs from the printer, but things still are going at a slower pace than we would like. What can I say? Part of the difficulty has not been on our part, but that of the publishers, and we must just try to bide with it until the project is completed.

"We have had some difficulty in that several maps and pictures we were to use from the National Geographic Magazine cannot be published —they flatly refused!"

Apparently Jim is doing all he can to push this reprint—and we sincerely hope that in the not too distant future this book will be off the press and in the hands of our members and friends.

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FOR SALE — AND WANTED

One of our members has a complete set of "Calcoin News", 1947 through 1969, which he is offering for sale. Price $35.00. If any of our members or friends wish to purchase this set, please contact: Kurt Loret, Apt. 4, 1201 - 12th Ave., San Francisco 94122.

Wanted — One silver registration medal of the 42nd CSNA convention at the Jack Tar Hotel, San Francisco, in 1968. If you have one which you would like to sell, please write: A. G. "Hap" Yeager, 1820 Eye St., Sacramento 95814.

PHILIPPINE COINAGE . . .

UNDER AMERICAN DOMINATION

By RAY BOWER, Ojai, CSNA 1310

In the year 1903, after Uncle Sam had pacified the Philippine Islands, a series of coins were issued to replace the Spanish Colonial issues then in use. These coins are of interest to all collectors of American coins since they represent the only colonial coinage struck by United States Authority. As such they should have a place in every representative collection.

The unit was a dollar or "peso" corresponding to the earlier issue and on a par with the dollars of the Oriental ports of Hong Kong and Singapore. To veterans of the Philippine campaign they were "Mex" because the denomination corresponds to the Mexican dollar then widely used in China, which is roughly half of an United States dollar on the old gold par value. The new pieces were sized the same as American coins, but of half the value, hence the peso was the equivalent of the U.S. fifty cent piece, the half peso equal to the twenty-five cent coin, etc.

Coinage of 1903 was struck at the San Francisco and Philadelphia Mints.

In the year 1907 the size of the silver coin was reduced, and many years later the five centavos copper-nickel piece was also reduced. The reduction in size seems well taken, as it precludes the possibility that the 5, 10 and 50 centavo pieces might be confused with regular U.S. coins by uninformed persons, bearing as they do the legend "United States of America."

The designs selected for the coinage are two, with a common reverse for all pieces. There is some indication that they were hastily thrown together since they bear inscriptions and designs not in full meaning to their homeland. The obverse of the bronze and nickel pieces bear a seated figure leaning on an anvil with a sledge hammer in the right hand. The male figure looks toward a volcano on the horizon. The anvil suggests metallurgy, but at the same time there was little metal industry on the islands. The volcano is purely Philippine.

The obverse of the silver issue bears a standing figure presumably that of Liberty, leaning a hammer weakly on the anvil. She is decidedly not a Philippine girl for she is draped in a classical fashion and has Grecian characteristics.

The use of both Spanish and English is commendable providing the language was properly used. The languages were used as follows: One Centavo Filipinas. Probably it should have read: One Cent Philippines, and/or Un Centavo Filipinas.

In 1920 a mint was opened at Manila which has since taken over the coinage of the islands.

During the years 1903-1920 there were proof sets struck at the Philadelphia mint for the Philippine Islands. The number of sets struck during certain years were:

1903 2,558
1904 1,355
1905 471
1906 500
1908 500

Compare these sets and the number issued to those of current times.

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NEWS, VIEWS AND WHOS

North of the Tehachapis

By JERRY KROEGER, CSNA 18-4

East Bay Coin Club elected the following officers for the coming year: **Craig Knudsen,** president; **Clifford Bloom,** vice president; **Roy Hill,** secretary-treasurer.

At the November meeting the club heard **Clifford Bloom** talk on "Paper Gold". Clifford discussed the relation of Paper Gold to "Hard Money" and the use of the former in the New Special Drawing Rights for International Trade. The talk was most interesting and informative, stimulating a lively discussion period.

Our sympathy to the family of **R. J. (Jack) Frost,** who passed away in January. Jack was a long time member of EBCC and CSNA.

At the last convention of the **Northern California Numismatic Association,** there were 45 exhibitors. Some of the winners were: Best in Show, **Edward Sins;** Second Best in Show, **Kenneth Takahashi;** Third Best in Show, **Charles Ish;** First Awards, **G. G. Davis, Henry Ehrlich, Rudy Gjurovich, Charles Ish, Edward Sins;** Junior First Awards, **Jerry Best—pitch, Gordon Frost;** Second Awards, **Ray Erkson, John Fitzloff, Charles Ish, William Palmini, Edward Sins;** Junior Second Awards, **John Mera, Debbie Palmini;** President's Trophy, **San Jose Coin Club.**

Vice President **Lillian Hooker** was recently hospitalized for major surgery, latest word is that she is doing well. **Everett K. Higgins** was admitted to a hospital where due to a circulatory problem, he had to have his leg amputated. We wish a speedy recovery for each of you.

Livermore Valley Coin Club will hold it's sixth annual coin show Sunday, March 15, at 2450 8th Street, between South G and South H Streets. C. J. Haadenstad, P.O. Box 610, Livermore, is bourse chairman.

Alameda Naval Air Station Coin Club has a new secretary, **Mrs. Sandy Adams,** 16663 Winding Blvd., San Leandro, California 94578.

Sacramento Valley Coin Club elected the following officers for the coming year: **Vince Beretta,** president; **Joe Loomis,** vice-president; **Frank Frame,** treasurer; **Hap Yeager,** asst. treasurer; **Jerry Bestpitch,** recording secretary; Handsome and Modest **Dan M. Jacobson,** corresponding secretary.

Dave Stafford was recently elected president of the **Davis Coin Club.** They meet the first Tuesday of the month at 7:30, at the West Davis Elementary School, 1221 Anderson Road, Davis .

Karl Manthei, past president of **Diablo Numismatic Society,** reported more than one hundred appetites attended the Christmas party and a mountain of food satisfied all.

New officers for D.N.S. are: **Lou Aggetta,** president; **Frank Fox,** vice president; **Lorrie Noble,** treasurer; **Sue Manthei,** librarian; **Jim Gallardo,** sgt. at arms.

San Francisco Coin Club is getting ready for its seventh annual Coin Fair, which will be held at the San Francisco Hall of Flowers, Golden

Gate Park 9th Ave. at Lincoln Way, Sunday April 7.

Torres Weir will be in charge of exhibits, and **Paul Snedaker** will take care of the bourse dealers.

Roy Hill, general chairman, looks for a bigger attendance, since this year's coin fair will be an opening week event during San Francisco's big Golden Gate Park Centennial Activities which will run from April 4 into October.

New Officers elected and installed by past president, **Paul Snedaker** are: **Stephen I. Gifford,** president; **Waud M. Bowers,** vice president; **Roy Hill,** secretary; **Jacob A. Mummert,** treasurer.

Fresno Numismatic Society has decided to drop its twice a month meetings to once a month and from now on the club will meet on the second Tuesday of each month at the Progressive Home Club, 2630 East Weldon.

New Officers for 1970 are: **Everett Phillips,** president; **Elmer Finderup,** vice president; **Nella Finderup,** secretary; **James Creagmile,** treasurer; **Howard Dunklee,** auctioneer.

Central California Coin Club is publishing its own bulletin now, separate from FNS.

New officers to guide CCCC for 1970 are: **Robert Rocque,** president; **Herb Hord,** vice president; **Fred Brown,** secretary; **Tom Torosian,** treasurer.

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society holds an annual contest for the best article or paper written about numismatics. In 1969 the first prize was won by **Bruno Kuhe** for his article "The Levantine Thaler"; second prize went to **Jack Hecht** for his paper "My Favorite Coin"; third award to **Wm. deVroom** for "Minting in Amsterdam"; honorable mention went to **Walter Gerth** for his paper entitled "Odd and Curious Monies".

Our sympathy to the family of **Waddell Smith** of San Rafael, who died Jan. 8. Waddell was the great grandson of William B. Waddell, one of the founders of the Pony Express, and will be remembered as the sponsor of the Pony Express Centennial in 1961.

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South of the Tehachapis

By NONA G. MOORE, CSNA 1573

A JUNIOR SYMPOSIUM

William "Bill" Wisslead talked on "The Beginning Coin Collector" before a group of fifth and sixth grade students at the Wallace Wiggins Elementary School in Whittier . . . a numismatic first in Southern California, hopefully to be followed by others.

CHULA VISTA COIN EXCHANGE

James Huddleston (CSNA 1789) and his partner, **Hugh Litwiler,** opened a coin store at 395 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. They will maintain store hours seven days and will stock U.S. and foreign coins, medals, tokens, stamps, and supplies.

DEALERS MOVE TO NEW SITE

Abner Kreisberg and **Jerry Cohen** announce the move of The Coin Gallery to 344 North Beverly Dr., Beverly Hills.

SILVER ANNIVERSARY

The Bay Cities Coin Club, Los Angeles, celebrated its 25th anniversary in 1969, and issued wooden nickels in sets of three to denote its 300th meeting. Interested collectors may send 50¢ for each set to the club, Box 943, Santa Monica, 90406.

PAST AND FUTURE

Whittier Coin Club rose in its first decade of 1959-69 from a tiny group to one of Southern California's most active clubs. #490 was reached in membership, including President Nixon, of which 180 are paid-up and active. The club participated in two coin clinics in local banks, donated to state and national organizations, and had as club speakers several nationally known figures in the numismatic world.

Whittier's goal for its second decade is to have an annual membership of 200 or more, with membership card #1000 reached by 1979!

A.B.N.S.

American British Numismatic Society closed its charter membership in November 1969.

Reluctantly the resignation of President **Richard Trowbridge** was accepted by the group and **William "Bill" Wisslead** was appointed to finish out the term. The Society's second forum was conducted at the February "Fabulous Fifteenth" convention of NASC in Los Angeles.

Members of ABNS regularly receive noteworthy bulletins consisting of several pages of valuable numismatic material.

WOODEN MONEY

California Wooden Money Association released its wooden dollar, having struck 300, commemorating its founding in January 1969. Interested collectors may obtain one for $1 by writing 18432 Kingsdale Avenue, Redondo Beach 90278.

The group voted to issue another wood piece to commemorate the past officers, to be called an "Annual Anniversary Wooden Nickel".

California wood pieces were presented to the Historical Society of California, Inglewood Branch, in behalf of **CWMA**, by **Joy Parrish.**

Outgoing President **Wayne Dennis** received CWMA Life Membership #1.

FUND RAISING

East L.A. Coin Club donates 10-15 minutes of its auction every meeting to the Crippled Children's Fund. This charitable project has always been successful, and the club continues it with the motto, "We are happy if we can make others happy".

BEST-OF-SHOW

Ethel Lenhert earned the best-of-show award at the **General Dynamics Coin Club Show**, Pomona, with her exhibit of Franklin Mint presidential coin-medals in sterling proof. **Ethel** exhibited two complete sets to display both obverse and reverse.

TO "BEE" OR NOT TO "BEE" . . .

Should not have been any question in attending the **Orange County Coin Club's** Annual Installation Banquet held at Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park.

More than 100 did attend, each receiving an Italian or a Norwegian coin with a "bee" on it. **Jack Tar,** anthropologist and aerospace employe, displayed a (contained) beehive, and talked on the subject of **"Honey Bees"** — a splendid, fascinating, informative program.

Herbert Bergen, ANA president, presented **Walter Knott** with a $3 Continental Currency (one of the existing nine pieces), signed by John Morton. **Knott** is placing it in his Independence Hall, which has had 970,000 visitors since being built.

NEW ZEALANDER L.A. SPEAKER

The **Society for International Numismatics** heard **Julian Brook,** New Zealand pharmacist, speak on New Zealand coins and the country. Brook, a house guest of **Bob Clarke,** also displayed his country's complete coinage.

NEW CLUB FOUNDED

23 members organized the **Clairemont Coin Club** (CSNA 2199) Dec. 9th. Meetings are held second Tuesday's in North Clairemont Recreation Center, 4421 Bannock Street, San Diego. It is reported to be "the fastest growing club in the area" with more than 35 members now, including 17 juniors.

HOLIDAY FUN

Compton Coin Club held its annual Christmas banquet at Angelino's Restaurant. Members **Jim Tull, Ron Nardo** and **Rose Marut** entertained musically during the evening. Ron's take-off of Tiny Tim "tiptoeing through the tulips" was reported to be one of the highlights.

Fontana United Numismatists had 108 attend its annual Christmas potluck dinner, capably organized by **Mary Beretich.**

Marlin Lenhert presented an audience participation quiz program to 150 members and guests of **Downey Numismatists** at Christmas time, giving appropriate holiday prizes for correct answers. Turkey, ham and other goodies were served at the refreshment break. Special drawing for the meeting was a Christmas Money Tree glistening with 25 crisp $1 bills and two shiny silver dollars.

East Los Angeles Coin Club held its annual Christmas potluck dinner. During the evening new officers were installed for the 1970 club year.

All profit from the Annual Donation Auction held at the December

meeting of the **San Diego Numismatic Society** is used to defray expenses of its January Installation Dinner. All items were varied and Auctioneer **Al Baber** kept the auction lively, bringing in nearly $80.

REDLANDS COIN CLUB

Meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Provident Bank's Community Room, 125 E. Citrus Avenue. Regularly featured are special giveaway drawings with a different coin or token selected each month.

NEW CONSTITUTION

San Bernardino County Coin Club recently ratified its newly revised constitution and by-laws, and is now in the process of obtaining incorporation papers.

The club is also compiling a complete set of club bulletins to be bound and placed in the archives by **Randy Briggs,** librarian.

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

In keeping with the holiday, **San Bernardino County Coin Club** presented an ANA slide program entitled, "Confederate Currency", at the February meeting. Members brought Lincolniana displays.

Plans are formulating for its seventh annual coin show (see calendar of events) and a banquet the night preceding.

SUPER AUCTION

Fontana United Numismatists held its annual super auction in February. 73 members/guests attended to bid on the 185 listed lots, which included U.S. large cents in high grades, uncirculated Standing Liberty Quarters, So-Called Dollars, 1805/4 Half Dollars, etc.

WELCOME BACK

To the **San Diego Numismatic Society** meetings: **John** and **Ethel Yribarne** of Redlands who were present at the 33rd Annual Installation Dinner. This is John's second outing since his heart attacks early in 1969.

Ray Toy, also in attendance, looked and felt much better after his many operations.

Jim Center and **Don McAlexander,** having just completed overseas tours of duty, were at the January meeting. **A.N.A.T.**

A sizeable donation was made by **Oceanside-Carlsbad Coin Club** as a result of a special donation auction. **Jess Peters,** who will conduct the auction at the June **COIN** (see Calendar of Events) in Los Angeles, will give his services and catalog space free for coins donated to **OIN** (names of donors will be listed and a suitable tax deduction receipt supplied), the proceeds of which will go to the **ANAT. Peters** suggests the gifts be worth at least $25 per lot, and estimates that 200 lots could augment the **ANAT** treasury by some $5,000. Donations may be sent to him at Box 123, Decatur, Ill. 62525.

How many clubs have aided this very important function **Virgil Hancock** and **Abe Kosoff** are so diligently and patiently trying to establish?

ELONGATED CENTS

University Numismatic Club of Riverside released elongated cents carrying the club name, meeting place and date. Pieces are available for 35¢ by writing the club, 6484 Nidever Ave., Riverside 92504.

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SPEAKERS LIST

(Program Chairmen—please note—the addresses of the clubs are included so that you may contact anyone from the list by writing the club where they spoke and get in touch personally with the speaker).

Ethel Stone, "Our Trip to England" —American British Numismatic Society, Box 2004, Santa Ana 92707.

Irwin Brotman, "Mauritius"; **Ralph Mitchell,** "Developing and Striking Coins and Medals Through the Ages". —California Foreign Coin Club, 647 No. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood.

Ralph Mitchell, "The Ultimate Achievement" (film); **Ethel Stone,** "The $3 Bill".—Covina Coin Club, 412 N. Lang Avenue, West Covina 91790.

Ralph Mitchell, "The Ultimate Achievement" (film).—East Los Angeles Coin Club, Box 603, Montebello 90640.

Amos House, "Hard Times Tokens"; **Ralph Mitchell,** "The Ultimate Achievement" (film).—Fontana United Numismatists, Box 71, Fontana 92335.

Ralph Mitchell, "The Ultimate Achievement" (film). — General Dynamics Coin Club, Box 2507, Pomona 91766.

Al Baber, "Medals"; **Stuart Edgerton,** "Ancient Japanese Coinage".—Imperial Beach Coin Club, 720-B Calla Ave., Imperial Beach 92032.

Bill Holberton, "Coins of Turkey"; **Bruno J. Forsher,** slide lecture, "Modern Israeli Postage Stamps".—Israel Numismatic Society, San Gabriel Chapter, 1015 Conlon Ave., LaPuente 91744.

Maurice Gould, "Cut and Counterstamped Coins of the World"; **Herbert M. Bergen,** "Coins of the U.S.". — Long Beach Coin Club, Box 344, Los Alamitos 90720.

Mary Capozzi, "Films of Mexico"; **Ralph Mitchell,** "The Ultimate Achievement". — North American Rockwell Stamp and Coin Club, 14928 South Avis, Lawndale 90260.

Ethel Lenhert, "Happy Birthday, California"; **Charles Colver,** "U.S. Cents — 1793 to Date". — Orange County Coin Club, Box 2004, Santa Ana 92707.

Gordon Z. Greene, "My Mormon Heritage". — Pomona Valley Coin Club, Box 36, Pomona 91766.

Ed Raymond, "U.S. Cents"; **Howard Musick,** "Wooden Money"; **John DePauli,** "Grading of Coins".—Poway Coin Club, Box 144, Poway 92064.

Herbert M. Bergen, "A.N.A. — Its Purpose and Its Future".—San Bernardino County Coin Club, 407 No. "E" Street, San Bernardino 92401.

Clark Yowell, "Native Rupees of India"; **John Geiger,** "Julian Historical Society"; **Al Baber,** "Numismatics", "Exhibiting and Judging", "1969 Assay Commission"; **Eugene Cooper,** "Coins of Greece"; **Paul Hamm,** "So-Called Dollars"; **Anna Merle Panosh,** "Orders and Decoration"; **Dwight Safford,** "Token Coinage"; **Jim Hill,** "Silver, Remember When?" — San Diego Numismatic Society, Box 1145, San Diego 92112.

Ed Raymond, "Lincoln Cents"; **Howard Musick,** "Wooden Money"; **Pete Mitchell,** "A Penny for Your Thoughts" (with slides).—East San Diego Coin Club, 4741 Panorama Dr., San Diego 92116.

Xenia Kreizel, "The Barnyard Set"; **James Waldorf,** "U.S. Turban Head Half Dollars"; **Milton Fishgold,** "Coin Medals of Israel". — San Fernando Valley Coin Club, Box 2377, Sepulveda 91343.

Dr. Lloyd Ermsher, "A European Tour"; **David Lee,** "European Counterstamped Coins".—S.I.N., San Gabriel Valley Chapter, 623 W. Lemon Ave., Monrovia 91016.

Charles Colver, "The New U.S. Mint".—Upland Coin Club, 738 North Euclid, Ontario 91761.

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CSNA EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR

Final plans for the **second annual all-day symposium** to be held from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (with luncheon break), **Saturday, March 28,** at the **Boyd Auditorium,** 235 East Eighth St., **Long Beach,** have been completed.

Maurice M. Gould, chairman and moderator, says he has confirmation that the following persons will be present as speakers: **Edward Rochette,** editor of ANA's "The Numismatist"; **Norman Williams,** first vice president of the Canadian Numismatic Assoc.; **Thomas W. Becker,** noted numismatic author and speaker; and **Clyde Hubbard,** outstanding authority on Spanish-Colonial coins. These four speakers, two from the United States, one from Canada and one from Mexico, will give those in attendance a wide variety of talks.

There is no entrance charge or donation requested. Everyone interested in the study and collection of the monies of the world is invited to attend.

Among those present will be **Herb Bergen,** president of ANA, and **Al Baber,** president of CSNA.

On display will be a number of invitational exhibits, these having been "Best-of-Show" winners at various shows in California.

Long Beach Coin Club, president **Richard Trowbridge,** is the host.

Do not miss this symposium—which is acknowledged as the finest in the United States.

REPORTS FROM . . .

OUR OUT-OF-STATE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

In the winter 1970 issue of Calcoin News appeared an article on the "CC" Mint in Carson City. We are in receipt of a letter from **Clark J. Guild,** chairman of the trustees of the **Nevada State Museum,** which is housed in that old mint building, portions of which are printed below:

"On behalf of the Board of Trustees I would like to thank you very sincerely for what you have done or are trying to do to assist us to get some of those "CC" dollars now in the Treasury Department.

"I think your article is a very splendid one and to the point, and I know I will be able to use the extra copies of Calcoin News you are sending me."

It is encouraging to your editorial staff to know their efforts in this matter are appreciated. We hope our members, particularly those living in Nevada will cooperate with Guild in this project.

Congratulations to one of our Wisconsin members—**Ken Bressett**—upon his recent promotion to Head of the Whitman Coin Supply (a division of the Western Publishing Co., Racine, Wisc.). Ken has been with Whitman Publishing Co. since 1959, and has steadily worked his way up the ladder.

It couldn't have happened to a nicer guy!

Did you read the January 1970 issue of "The Numismatist"? If not, you missed a most fascinating article about another one of our Wisconsin members—**Richard S. Yeoman.** This article, written by CSNA member O. H. Dodson, outlines the interesting life of a fine gentleman and outstanding numismatist. One point not particularly brought out in this article is Dick's willingness to act as exhibit judge whenever called upon to do so. Your editor wonders how many times he has passed up other activities to assist in this most important part of our numismatic conventions?

If you have not read this article, by all means do so. If more of our ANA, regional and state organization members would pattern their lives and activities along these lines, think what a help it would be to numismatics!

Our Australian member—**Bill deVroom**—has done it again! For the past several years he has submitted an article to the annual Papers Contest held by the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society (San Francisco), and in every instance, or almost every instance, has won a prize. 1969 was no exception.

Several of his most interesting articles have appeared in Calcoin News, and your editor has two more of them on hand for future printing.

Bill has promised another article for the 1970 PCNS Papers Contest. Keep up the good work, Bill.

From one of our charter members, no. 31, **W. C. Connor,** of Phoenix, Arizona, came a letter to our secretary:

"Due to my long illness I wish to resign from CSNA. Seems I am about to join my old family doctor and personal friend, Dr. Emmons, along with Fred Draper and many other good friends. I'll just borrow Doc's Calcoin News, as no doubt you are sending this beautiful mazagine to him.

"Best of luck to you and all in your endeavors in CSNA."

Your secretary and your editor agree that we do not wish to remove Connor's name from our membership list—and we have taken the liberty of placing him on the "honorary" list so that he will continue to receive his copy of Calcoin News.

We wish Connor many more years of numismatic enjoyment.

From the **Moravske Museum** in **Brno, Czechoslovakia,** came a letter requesting a copy of our reprint "Money Talks." We are indeed pleased to know that our friends in Central Europe think that highly of us. As soon as released, a copy will be on its way.

We wish to thank the Moravske Museum for forwarding to us their latest publication with two very interesting and informative articles: "The Settlement of Velkomizircsko

During the 30 Year War, Where Later the Coins, Silver, and Medals Were Found", by Vladimir Nemecek; and "The Changes of Habits and Living in Moravia to the Year 1750", by Jaroslav Posvar.

This booklet is a valuable addition to our ever growing library, and we look forward to receiving more publications from our friends in Czechoslovakia; and we hope they are enjoying their complimentary copy of Calcoin News which is forwarded to them every three months.

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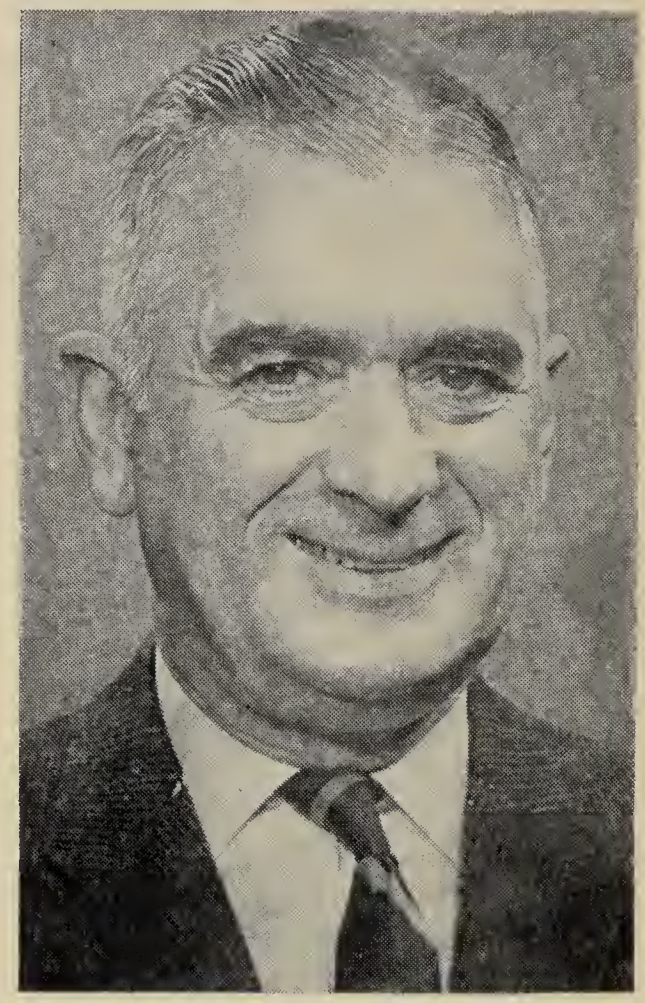
Who's Who In California Numismatics

JOHN E. LENKER

By BRYAN O. BURKE, JR.



JOHNNY LENKER, CSNA Life Member No. 1-21, has been on the California numismatic scene for the better part of the last 35 years. He may be unknown to many of the new CSNA members because work and family keep him pretty much at home in Redlands, where he is wire editor for the Redlands Daily Facts. But he and his ancestors have been around these United States for some time. In fact, several of his forebears took up arms against the British, thereby qualifying J.L. for membership in the Sons of the Revolution.

By way of setting the scene for John's birth (27 August 1911), his forefathers pressed into Pennsylvania as pioneer settlers when that state was on the western frontier. They included some hardy colonists of German, Scotch-Irish and English descent. John Harris, for instance, was the founder of Harrisburg; and William Maclay was the first Senator from Pennsylvania.

Then came Johnny. He was born in Sunbury, Penn., and there spent his early life. His father, J. Edward Lenker, a civil engineer, aroused John's curiosity in coins by giving him a few large cents, two-cent pieces and three-cent pieces. A Norwegian aunt introduced him into the second phase of numismatics in 1920 —the foreign field, when she gave him a few coins of Norway. He got his first coin list from Norman Shultz nearly 50 years ago, and another from Thomas L. Elder.

John graduated from Bucknell University in 1932 and from Columbia University in 1934. It was while at Columbia that he began attending the famous Elder auctions, and became acquainted with Julius Guttag, Isadore Snyderman, Max Schulman (and later his son Hans), and many of the collectors of the early '30s in New York.

They invited him to join the Bronx Coin Club (membership No. 22) and the Brooklyn Coin Club (No. 13), which were then being formed. Through his acquaintance of Moritz Wormser he joined ANA. His love for Oriental and Moslem coins brought him into contact with Howland Wood, paving the way for his membership in the American Numismatic Society. Later in Philadelphia his numismatic

life was enriched by dealings with Henry Chapman and David Bullowa.

He wandered to California after college, and in 1935-36 helped Fred Harvey in the operation of his Santa Fe Railroad restaurants at Barstow and Winslow, Arizona. Late in 1936 he was press representative for Thomas E. Campbell, who wanted to be governor of Arizona. After that campaign John worked for the Arizona Daily Star at Tucson.

In 1937 he began a five-year editorship of the Kingsburg (Calif.) Recorder, meanwhile gaining part-time experience with the Fire Department. It was his knowledge of fire-fighting that led to his being recruited by the Coast Guard as a First Class Specialist, attached to the Captain of the Port, San Francisco.

He entered the USCG in 1942, was commissioned Ensign in 1943, and released from active duty in 1946 with the rank of Lieutenant. He maintains his reserve status, and at present is a Commander and attached to a naval unit in San Bernardino.

When he came to California he met Ed Lee, one of the few coin dealers at that time in Southern California, and lated his son Kenneth. John kept up correspondence with his eastern collector and dealer friends for years, gradually adding to his accumulation of coins of Russia, Scandinavia, England, Germany, Ethiopia, Napoleon and other names of history along with odd and curious media of exchange.

It was during World War II in San Farncisco that he met coin collectors of the Bay Area and soon was in the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, in 1945 serving as its president.

In Southern California again, after the war, he settled in Mentone, then Redlands, and joined the nearest numismatic group at that time — the famous Orange County Coin Club — and the California State Numismatic Association. In the San Bernardino-Redlands area he joined Bryan Burke, Howard Smith, Fred Coops and others in forming the San Bernardino County Coin Club in 1948. He, Howard Smith and a few other Redland collectors formed the Redlands Coin Club in 1963, and he served as its first president.

In recent years he has helped with the SBCCC annual coin show; and handled the publicity for the CSNA conclave in Mission Inn in 1966.

Johnny also belongs to the Fontana United Numismatists, the Organization of International Numismatists and the American British Numismatic Society. He has done some writings on various numismatic subjects; at one time had a radio program on coins; and even had a traveling coin show with exhibits in schools. He is a frequent speaker at coin clubs.

Most recently he has been researching the coins of Ethiopia, having been introduced to this interesting country by Stuart Mosher in 1937. He photographed His Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie on visits to Southern California in 1954 and 1968. In a brief interview. His Majesty expressed interest in the fact that John collects Ethiopian coins.

Assisting him in recent research have been Henry Gruenthal of ANS, Dr. Vladimir and Mrs. Elvira Clain-Stefanelli of the Smithsonian Institution, and Randolph Zander of Alexandria, Va.

In additiion to being a general coin collector, he has always been interested in Indians, circuses, birds, animals, history, war relics and so on, but not necessarily in that order. He is also a member of the American Legion and the First Lutheran Church.

He is married to the former Roberta Arlene Will, of San Bernardino, and they have three children: John Will, Mary Frances and Peter Edward, all of whom are attending college.

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The old U.S. $2 note, last made in 1965, had a life expectancy of 61 months.

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The Canadian 20-cent coin was struck only in 1858. Obverse features the young head bust of Queen Victoria. 750,000 were struck.

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A dollar may not do as much for us as it used to—but then we don't do as much for a dollar, either.

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U.S. large cents, coined from 1793 to 1857, were made of pure copper and contained approximately one cent's worth of copper.

SHADOW OF A FORGOTTEN COIN

By PEGGY BORGOLTE, Sepulveda, CSNA 15-1

The word "Picayune" is like "Creole" or "Cajune" (Kajun) in that it is associated at once with Louisiana. Like the other two terms it is of historical, numismatic and current interest. It has been used as a nickname, both of endearment and scorn.

There is a brand of cigarettes, a street in New Orleans, a town in Mississippi, and a newspaper, all named "Picayune".

The word in all of its uses and meanings is traced back to a little 18th century Spanish coin. The origin of the term is uncertain, as Pecunia is Latin for money, however, there is no record that this is the origin. Whatever the origin of the word itself, "Picayune" as we know it, was the name given the Spanish silver half real (medio real), smallest coin in wide circulation throughout Louisiana during most of its early history.

One must remember that until relatively recent times coins were valued for the worth of the precious metal which they contained, and it made little difference what national or royal emblem was on them, an ounce of silver was an ounce of silver, no matter who had struck it.

Because of the abundance of gold and silver from her empire, Spain by the opening of the 18th century had by far the largest coinage of any nation. Spanish coins remained the principal coinage in use in the world until 1810, with the disintegration of the Spanish Empire.

From the beginning Louisiana, although a French colony, witnessed the free circulation of Spanish coins, usually minted in the Latin American colonies. Almost all Spanish coins that circulated in the new world were coined at the several mints in the Spanish colonies. Very few coins struck in Spain ever found their way across the Atlantic at that time.

This foreign coin was common, although trade between the French and Spanish colonies was forbidden. When the Louisiana area was transferred to Spain following the Seven Years War, there was no real change, the Spanish coinage, already present, merely became the standard unit of account.

On Feb. 9, 1793, an Act was passed to legalize the use of certain foreign coins in the United States. In a long listing each foreign coin was assigned an official valuation in terms of the American dollar unit, which itself, incidentally, had originally been based on the Spanish dollar. Not only was the United States unit based on the value of the Spanish dollar, "peso", but our dollar sign seems to have been derived from the device on the reverse of the Spanish dollar, two Pillars with a banner woven about them. There are, however, many versions of how our dollar sign was arrived at.

The Spanish real was officially valued in this act at one-eighth of a United States dollar, or 12½ cents, and was known as a "bit". The half real was officially valued at one-sixteenth of a United States dollar or 6¼ cents, and was known as the "fip" or "fipenny" in and around Virginia, Pennsylvania and the southeastern states. In Louisiana where the half real was most common it retained its nickname, the "picayune".

Shortage of coins was a problem in the United States the first half of the 19th century, and the small foreign coins remained current. The reason for the shortage of United States coins was the exportation of all denominations of American silver coins as fast as they were struck. Their actual silver content was enough to turn a profit when melted down and sold as bullion. Foreign silver coins had a lower silver content.

President Jefferson suspended some silver coinage in 1806. From a manuscript in the National Archives, Record Group 59, Dep't. of State, Secretary of State, James Madison, instructed the Mint Director, Robert Patterson, on May 1, 1806:

"In consequence of a representation from the Directors of the Bank of the United States, that considerable purchases have been made of dollars coined at the mint for the purpose of exporting them, and as it is probable further purchases and exportations will be made, the President directs that all the silver to be coined at the mint shall be of small denominations,

so that the value of the largest piece shall not exceed half a dollar."

This partial suspension lasted for 28 years, and during that time the United States was flooded with even more foreign silver, mostly Spanish, coined in Latin America. Congress attempted to correct the situation by adjusting the coinage standard in 1834 and again in 1836. Again the mint began issuing amounts of silver, but the adjustments were not enough to correct the abuse. There was still a 3% profit to be made by exporting American silver coins, and the country continued to be denuded of its silver. The assayers of the United States mint, writing in 1842, bemoaned the fact that although the mints were pouring out dimes and half dimes, the real and medio real continued to circulate freely, especially in the south and southwest.

The prices of small things, even postage, was adjusted to the awkward sums of 12½ cents and 6¼ cents, because of the use of these Spanish coins. Congress adjusted the silver coinage standard in February 1863, reducing the value below the export profit point. The supply of silver coins in the United States began to increase rapidly.

Feb. 21, 1857 Congress repealed all statutes permitting the circulation and legal tender power to foreign coins. Foreign silver pieces, which were still in common use, were declared receivable by the government at offices of the Treasury, Land Offices and Post Offices, at a reduced rate, and were to be recoined by the United States mint at once. The exchange was originally lawful for two years from the passage of the Act. However, the Act of March 3, 1859 extended the deadline for two years from Feb. 21, 1859, this extension being cut short by the Repealing Act of June 25, 1860. The picayune which had been circulating in Louisiana for nearly 200 years came to an end.

The "picayune" as a coin had died, but the word remained alive. Most of the uses of the word "picayune" stem from the small coin, hence anything of small size or mean quality came to be characterized as "picayunish". Many of these coins were privately stamped with such things as "one slave", "one days labor". Imagine 6¼ cents for a days work.

Nickname, brand name, place or adjective, thus lingers the verbal shadow of a forgotten little coin.

Since writing the above, I have since learned that the "picayune" was also accepted as legal tender in Eastern Canada during this period of history.

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11-5 COVINA COIN CLUB .....
c/o Mary E. Peters, 412 N. Lang Ave., West Covina, Calif. 91790
13-3 EAST SAN DIEGO COIN CLUB .....
c/o Ed L. Raymond, 4741 Panarama Dr., San Diego, Calif. 92116
15-7 SAN DIEGO COUNTY INTER-CLUB NUMISMATIC COUNCIL .....
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15-9 LA MESA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY .....
c/o Dorothy L. Baber, 611 Oakwood Way, El Cajon, Calif. 92021
16-7 LEWIS, James D. .....
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16-8 HARLEY, Irene J. .....637 W. Arrow Hwy., Claremont, Calif. 91711
18-4 KROEGER, Jerry .....1328 Marin Ave., Albany, Calif. 94706
19-2 NAGLE, B. T. .....19255 E. Rowland Ave., Covina, Calif. 91722
23-2 HUNT, James William .....1183 Nile Ave., Chula Vista, Calif. 92011

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1221 PULATI, Evalene G. .....111 E. Cubbon, Santa Ana, Calif. 92701

ADDRESS UNKNOWN

2023 ELLIS, Harry A., Jr.

DECEASED

1-10	VIGNEAULT, Arthur J.	Jan. 18, 1970
804	SHIPKEY, Arthur H.	Jan. 1, 1970
1217	KAPLUN, Harry L.	Jan. 11, 1969
1218	SMITH, Waddell F.	Jan. 3, 1970
1343	GATES, Carlton A.	June 16, 1969

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership, Nov. 15, 1969	1072
New Members, Nov. 16, 1969 to Feb. 15, 1970	25
Re-Instatements	4
Resignations	22
Address Unknown	1
Deceased	5
Membership, Feb. 15, 1970	1073
Total Life Members	119
1970 Dues Not Yet Paid	356

— Charles G. Colver

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Our Members

A check of our membership roster reveals some very interesting facts:
Our paid membership totals 1,073 individuals and clubs.
934 of these reside in California—in 263 different cities and towns.
130 reside in 34 other states, as follows:

Alabama	1	Louisiana	1	Ohio	4
Alaska	2	Maryland	2	Oklahoma	1
Arizona	15	Massachusetts	3	Oregon	10
Colorado	5	Michigan	1	Pennsylvania	7
Connecticut	2	Minnesota	1	Sou. Dakota	1
D. of C.	1	Mississippi	1	Texas	6
Florida	4	Missouri	2	Utah	3
Illinois	3	Nebraska	1	Virginia	3
Iowa	3	Nevada	11	Washington	9
Kansas	1	New Hampshire	1	Wisconsin	6
Kentucky	2	New Jersey	1	Wyoming	1
		New York	4		

9 members reside in foreign countries:

Australia	1	Czechoslovakia	1	Philippines	1
Canada	3	England	1	Spain	1
		Mexico	1		

12.1% of our total paid membership resides outside the State of California.
Our complimentary mailing list includes 20 persons or firms:

Arizona	1	Michigan	1	Canada	2
California	1	Minnesota	1	Czechoslovakia	1
Colorado	1	New York	2	Mexico	1
D. of C.	1	Ohio	1	Poland	1
Indiana	1	Texas	2	Sweden	1
Maryland	1	Virginia	1		

Are we a state, a regional, a national, or an international organization?

From the Desk of the Treasurer

45th SEMI-ANNUAL CONVENTION REPORT

Receipts:		
Bourse Tables	$ 5,455.00	
Registration and Banquet	1,565.04	
Auction	200.00	
Door Prizes	814.25	
Silver Medals	292.50	
Silver and Presidentials	352.50	
Medallions	63.55	
Pan-Art	424.00	
Ladies Luncheon	114.00	
Total Receipts		$ 9,280.84
Disbursements:		
Door Prizes	262.50	
Printing and Postage	55.24	
General Chairman's Expenses	72.75	
Co-Chairman's Expenses	5.67	
Bourse and Exhibit Chairmen's Expenses	26.87	
Secretary's Expenses	60.60	
Publicity Chairman's Expenses	10.70	
Photographer's Expenses	31.00	
Bahia Motor Hotel	3,649.59	
Trophies	200.00	
Table Cloths	50.00	
Security	766.65	
Convention Medals	1,473.86	
Lighting and Electrical Outlets	1,234.46	
Medallic Art Company	970.08	
S.D. Convention Visitors Bureau	54.95	
Total Disbursements:		$ 8,924.92
Net Profit:		**355.92**

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Nov. 1, 1969 — Jan. 31, 1970

Balance Brought Forward (Commercial Account)		$ 270.20
Receipts:		
45th Semi-Annual Convention	$ 9,280.84	
Life Memberships	867.50	
Membership Dues	2,461.00	
"Money Talks"	205.00	
Miscellaneous	14.35	
Total Receipts	$12,828.69	13,098.89
Disbursements:		
Bekins-Case Storage	35.80	
Printing and Postage	749.51	
45th Semi-Annual Convention	8,924.92	
Editors' Expenses	296.05	
Curator's Expenses	72.00	
"Californiana"	50.00	
ANA and NASC Dues	15.00	
Museum Research Expenses	100.00	
Miscellaneous	28.36	
Total Disbursements		10,271,64
Balance On Hand (Commercial Account)		2,827.25
On Hand, January 1, 1970 (Savings Account)		6,048.50
Kennedy Half Dollars		230.00
Total Cash Assets, January 1, 1970		$ 9,105.75

The I.M.U. No. 199 Medal

By A. G. "HAP" YEAGER, Sacramento, CSNA 1649

During the California State Numismatic Convention held at the Sacramento Inn during April 1967, Erich Werling of Oakland contacted me as president of the Sacramento Valley Coin Club, telling me about a medal he had received from a friend now living in Pennsylvania. This medal is approximately 3¼ inches in diameter, and made of a grayish metal (could be cast iron), and bears the inscription 'Sacramento, May 9, 1901, I.M.U. No. 199', with the resemblance of a raised Liberty Head in the center.

I told Eric I had never seen nor heard of any such medal, but would do my best to research all possibilities here in Sacramento if he would send me the medal. This he did about three weeks later, and the sleuthing began in earnest.

The first person I contacted was E. E. Nichols, city editor of the Sacramento Union (the oldest daily newspaper west of the Rockies), who gave me hours of his valuable time and assistance in searching the Sacramento Union's files around the turn of the century. He finally found an article stating that on May 8, 9 and 10, 1901, the Sacramento Federated Trades had held a Street Fair and Parade, in which there were four divisions entered using the I.M.U. initials, but omitting any local number. There were:

International Milkers Union
International Molders Union
International Machinists Union
International Musicians Union

Of course, without showing the Local Number, it did not pinpoint I.M.U. No. 199, but we were on the right track. So now I really started getting my interest aroused. But where to go?

Mr. Nichols recommended I go out to the Building Trades Council in Sacramento. They were unable to furnish any further information, but in turn recommended I contact the Affiliated Labor Council, who in turn suggested the Sacramento Labor Bulletin Editor, Dick Marriott.

Mr. Marriott and his very capable staff searched all their records and files, but could not shed any further light on the subject. Marriott, sitting at his desk scratching his head in awe, finally said: "Hap—why don't you contact Tony Madaloni of 1806 Seventh St., Sacramento?"

I telephoned Mr. Madaloni for an appointment, and met with him the following morning. Much to my surprise I discovered that Tony Madaloni is the current recording secretary of the International Molders Union, and he showed me the original charter dated July 5, 1859. He also has the

charter for the Sacramento Local No. 199, International Molders Union, issued April 3, 1888, listing the following officers:

President—
C. A. Askwith
Vice President—
John Norton
Recording Secretary—
Ed F. Ashworth
Corresponding Secretary—
James McMurray
Financial Secretary—
Micke Goethe
Treasurer—
Henry Schweitzer

My first meeting with Madaloni had to be shortened, because of a time element, as he was leaving that afternoon to attend the annual convention of the International Molders Union in Phoenix, Arizona. He requested permission to take the medal with him to the convention, suggesting he might be able to secure additional information while in Phoenix. I agreed most heartily.

Two weeks later Madaloni telephoned me stating that I come to his office. When I arrived, he told me of the excitement the medal had aroused in Phoenix, and that he had received several offers from delegates who wished to purchase it as a souvenir of the Sacramento Local No. 199.

Mr. Madaloni then proceeded to go through all the old records he had on hand, which took about eight hours, trying to locate the names of any persons who were members of the Sacramento Local in 1901 and who were still living in the Sacramento area. The search narrowed down to: V. A. LaForte, Frank Stone, Earl Ferenti, Herman Seeman, W. J. Hunt, and John Geiger.

Madaloni then contacted each of these senior members, taking time to reminisce with them of the many and varied happenings of the past, but none were able to throw any more light on the Labor Day Celebration, May 9, 1901, held in Sacramento.

I then took all the information I had gathered and delivered it to a good friend who is able to type (using more than one finger, as I do), Mrs. Edna Nelson, who incidentally is very busy with her Clerical Coaching Classes, helping to prepare those desiring to take the State of California Civil Service examinations. She also is active in several Veterans Auxiliaries in the Sacramento area. But, as I was told early in life, you always ask a busy person to assume additional duties, because a person who is not busy never has the time to do anything.

After Mrs. Nelson completed the typing, I delivered the typed article and medal to Mr. Dick Marriott, Editor of the Sacramento Labor Bulletin, as he had requested these items when I talked with him earlier, so he could have the medal photographed, have 'cuts' made for a picture and the article to be published in the Special Labor Day Bulletin of Sept. 4, 1967.

The medal has since been returned to Erich Werling with all the findings, for which he said a big THANKS.

My personal thanks goes to E. E. Nichols, Tony Madaloni, Dick Marriott and Mrs. Edna Nelson for their cooperation and for the many hours they extended to me in the research and compilation of this article.

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Capital punishment is when the government taxes you to get capital so it can go into business in competition with you—then taxes the profits on your business in order to pays its losses.

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Because of the musk ox's resemblance to a bison, the now scarce U.S. buffalo nickel is known to many Eskimos as a muskoka, according to the National Geographic Society book "Alaska".

Canada's first silver dollar was a commemorative, marking in 1935 the silver anniversary of the reign of King George V.

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The gold talent, mentioned by the Greek poet Homer, was the equivalent of one cow.

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In American numismatics, the term "crown" is used to refer to any foreign dollar-sized silver coin.

FUN IN COLLECTING COINS

Of North and South America (except the United States)

By EDWARD M. UHLIG, Riverside, CSNA 1551

That title covers a lot of territory and a lot of fun possibilities. It covers a numismatic history period of 430 years, and about 36 countries and colonies which issued their own coinage. Over the years there have been about 45 mints officially in operation, with only eight of them now in production.

The first mint was in Mexico City, authorized in 1536, and still operating and producing the coins of Mexico. Here are samples of its first coinage; the copper maravedies and the silver one real of Carolus and Johanna, and below the 1966 issues of the five, ten, twenty centavos and the one peso of the present republic.

The first contract for foreign coinage executed by the United States mint at Philadelphia was in 1875 with Venezuela, and in the years since the United States has minted coins for 18 North and South American countries.

In the 36 countries and colonies there have been six European languages officially spoken — Spanish, Portuguese, French, English, Danish and Dutch.

Until the early part of the 19th century most of North and South America south of the United States were colonies of either Spain or Portugal, with the coinage controlled by the mother country.

In the first quarter of the 19th century, revolutions started eroding away the colonies of both these countries in Central and South America, and as each area freed itself and set up its own government there was a new coinage. Very often during the early period of the new country, the old Spanish or Portuguese coins were counter stamped to legalize them for use. Coins from these colonies were often counter stamped for use in other parts of the world. During last year there was an auction of a noted collection of these counter stamped coins with more than 1800 lots listed.

You will find that many of the coins of these south of the border countries are much the same in size, metal composition and appearance.

During the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries many of the countries or city states of Europe issued coins using Roman numerals to indicate the values, particularly in the small denominations. In the last 100 years only seven countries in the world have at one time or another used Roman numerals on their coins to indicate values. Five of these countries are in the area under discussion. They are Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Danish West Indies (now the Virgin Islands of the United States) and Mexico. Only Cuba and Colombia of the above are now issuing Roman numeral coins. The other two countries are the United States from 1883 to 1913 for the five cent piece and from 1851 to 1889 for the three cent pieces, and Portugal which has issued them on and off for centuries and is currently issuing two, the X and XX centavos since 1942.

For the collector there are many interesting fields for collecting and studying in this area. There are many books and articles available. Last spring (1966) Coin World published a book list for Canada and Mexico which covered a page and a half.

The numismatic supply people have in the last few years issued albums to assist in assembling type and series sets of several of these countries, such as the United States of Mexico type set since 1905, or a Mexican one centavo series set.

Other possibilities are coins a little different from the general issues such as the bank tokens of Canada. Canadian coinage may roughly be divided into three periods of approximately one hundred years each.

The first period, 1670 to 1763, is the French regime.

The second period, 1763 to 1858, is that when the various provinces were acting independently of each other, and the coinage in use was anything goes, United States, English, Irish, Dutch, Mexican, Spanish and Portuguese, with merchant tokens and bank tokens for small change. The bank tokens were authorized issues and

are now fairly easy to obtain, and are very interesting to collect and study. Charlton lists them in his annual Standard Catalog.

The third period of Canadian numismatic history covers the formation of the Commonwealth and the issue of decimal coinage familiar to all of us.

Another interesting study is the Mexican revolutionary coins of 1910 to 1917. There are between 180 and 200 of these coins catalogued; some are very rare, none are what you would call common, but all have a very interesting story and many are obtainable at a reasonable price.

These coins were struck by the various revolutionary generals, such as Diaz, Zapata, Contreras and Villa, to mention a few. These coins were used to pay the troops and to make local purchases.

When a general took over a new area by force, the coinage of his predecessor immediately disappeared from circulation as its possession indicated sympathy for the wrong side. For this reason and because of low mintage many of these coins are scarce.

Material on hand, such as the lead covering from underground mine cables, the trolley wire from a street car line, was melted up and coins cast or struck from the melted metal. In another instance several large copper tanks were cut up and coins struck from that material.

Another interesting field for collecting and study is the dollar or crown size coins of North and South America. Originally the silver dollar size or 8 real coins was the coin minted in great numbers by the early mints established by the Spaniards. They usually located their mints adjacent to large silver deposits and coined these large coins for use in world trade.

It appears from our industrial development that the use of silver for coinage is fast disappearing and that the only crown or dollar size silver coins will be those of the past.

There are many other interesting collecting possibilities, but I will leave them for you to find.

(The above was a talk given by Mr. Uhlig at the October 1966 meeting of the San Bernardino County Coin Club.)

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A Thought

By DWIGHT A. SAFFORD, San Diego, CSNA 422

Although few collectors could afford to assemble a complete collection of the United States gold Half Eagle coinage, this series merits more than minor consideration in the choice of an area, in which to specialize one's collective efforts.

Presenting a facade of many facets, this series proffers many separate areas in which is available the opportunity to form collections distinctive for some special feature, not to be claimed by any other of the U.S. coinage in gold. To cite a few that are to be claimed by the Half Eagle: the first deposit of gold bullion for coinage at the U.S. mint was received Feb. 12, 1795 from Moses Brown, a Boston merchant, in the form of gold ingots, amounting to $2276.22. Subsequently before any coinage took place, several more deposits of gold bullion were made to the mint. The first return of gold coins from the Chief Coiner was on the 31st day of July, 1795, and consisted of 744 Half Eagles, with eight more deliveries prior to Sept. 17, 1795, with a total striking of 8707 pieces coined. Thus to the Half Eagle goes the distinction of being the first gold coin to have been struck for issuance by the United States. This first year of issue has two varieties of reverse, with the small eagle reverse being of the first emission and those of the heraldic eagle of later striking.

Starting with this first year of issue, there are many varieties to be found among the early dates, changes caused by the number of stars, style of eagle, over dates, and differences in the size of figures in the dates. It has been stated that the 1822 Half Eagle is perhaps the most valuable regular issue coin of the entire U.S. series. Of the 17,796 coined three only are known to exist.

The 1909 Half Eagle coined at the

New Orleans mint has the distinction of being the only gold coin of incuse design ever to have been struck there. The Half Eagle was the largest denomination coin struck at the mints at Charlotte, North Carolina, and Dahlonega, Georgia, during the period of their operation; and the only denominational coin to be struck at each of the seven U.S. mints was the Half Eagle.

No other series of U.S. gold coin can equal the number of varieties to be found in the various dies used and design changes that exist in the Half Eagle coinage. In any of these particular areas there are possibilities to form meaningful collections of a coin of distinction, though it may consist of only a few pieces.

(Reprint from the April 1968 issue of the San Diego Numismatic Society Bulletin.)

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TOKENS AND MEDALS . . .

SAN DIEGO EXONUMIA

By DWIGHT A. SAFFORD, San Diego, CSNA-422

The following is the conclusion of the listings of San Diego exonumia in the cabinet of the writer, as carried in the five previous issues of "Calcoin News".

JOSEPH WINTER

Obv. Inside a 13 mm circle, GOOD FOR / 5¢ / LOAF BREAD; around outer edge, JOS. WINTER SAN DIEGO, CAL.; around outer edge, milling. Lettering and milling are incused. Rev. Incused across center, SNOWFLAKE / BREAD; mill edged border. White metal, 23mm.

Jos. Winter opened the Star Bakery April 27, 1873 at corner of Fourth and H Sts. He was proprietor of S. D. Steam Cracker & Bread Bakery at 560 - 564 Fourth St., 1892-1895. Jos. Winter was salesman 1901-1903 for Southern California Baking Co., located at 1329 E St.

WINDSOR HOTEL

Obv. WINDSOR / HOTEL / - o - / 8th & J. Rev. At center a large 5 with ¢ in curl of five, from right side of 5 around outer edge, IN TRADE - GOOD FOR. Brass, 21mm.

ADDITIONAL LISTINGS

COINARAMA OCT. 26-27

DOTTIE DOW

Obv. GOOD / FOR ONE / NUGGET / (BUBBLE GUM) / AT SAN DIEGO / GOLD RUSH / COIN-A-RAMA / OCT. 26-27, 1963 / DOTTIE DOW / P.O. Box 5238 / PHOENIX / ARIZONA / 85010. Rev. Miner panning gold; around outer edge, GOLD GULCH DAYS OF 49 CAMP SAN DIEGO EXP. 1935; beaded border. Pot metal, 19 x 37mm, oblong.

U. S. NAVAL FLEET

Obv. At center, facing part right, male uniformed bust; at l. 19, at r. 08; over bust, REAR ADMIRAL EVANS; below bust, "FIGHTING BOB"; around outer edge, S O U V E N I R VISIT of U.S. NAVAL FLEET SAN DIEGO, CAL.; milled border. Rev. Three ships afloat with rising and rayed sun in background; milled border. Bronze, 41mm top loop.

BRADLEY'S

Obv. BRADLEY'S 5 & 10 / 303 / PLAZA / SAN DIEGO / CALIF.; milled border. Rev. GOOD FOR / (star) 25¢ (star) / IN TRADE; milled border. Red fiber, 24 x 24mm, octagonal.

SAN DIEGO INTER-CLUB

NUMISMATIC COUNCIL

Obv. SAN DIEGO COUNTY / INTER-CLUB NUMIS- / MATIC COUNCIL / COIN-A-RAMA / OCT. 26-27 / 1963 / 82. Rev. Prospector and burro walking r.; GOLD RUSH below. White metal, 37mm.

STAR & CRESCENT BOAT CO.

Obv. At center, SAN / DIEGO / CAL.; around outer edge, STAR & CRESCENT BOAT CO.; mill edged border. Rev. Large 25 at center; mill edged border. Alum., 29mm.

Obv. At center a 13½mm circle; around outer edge, STAR & CRESCENT BOAT CO.; a diamond ornament at bottom; all on lattice-work background. Rev. At center, a 13½mm circle; around outer edge, 25¢ (star) VALUE (star) / all on lattice - work background. White metal, 24mm; 7mm 5-point star cut out at center.

Obv. At center, a 10mm circle; around outer edge, STAR & CRESCENT BOAT CO.; all on lattice-work background. Rev. At center a 10mm circle; around outer edge, 15¢ (star) VALUE (star); all on lattice-work background. White metal, 19mm; a 7mm 5-point star cut out at center.

UNION TITLE INSURANCE CO.

Obv. On a 19mm circle of screen-like background, initials T. I. Rev. On a 19mm circle of screen-like background, COURTESY PARKING. Brass, 25mm.

UNITED WATER TAXI CO.

Obv. UNITED WATER TAXI CO. / SAN DIEGO / CAL. / . (star) . / Rev. A large 15 at center. Alum., 26mm.

ROBLEY D. EVANS

Obv. Within a 27mm circle at center, male bust, facing part r.; ROBLEY D. EVANS above, SAN DIEGO 1908 below. Rev. Within a 27mm circle at center, a sailing ship; JUAN R. CABRILLO above, SAN DIEGO 1542 below. Gilt bronze, 39mm.

PANAMA CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION

Obv. Indian Head facing l.; FIRST AMERICAN on headdress. In two lines below head, SAN FRANCISCO / SAN DIEGO; around outer edge, PANAMA PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION PANAMA CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION 1915. Beaded border. Rev. Rising sun over harbor, with rays of sun extending to border; above sun in 14 mm circle, the State Seal of California. In four lines below sun, SOUVENIR / PENNY / OF / CALIFORNIA. Around right and left edge, a ribboned branch of leaves and berries. Beaded border; bronze, 38mm.

PANAMA CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION

Obv. Within 21mm circle, ship in canal; below in three lines THE COMPLETION / OF THE / PANAMA CANAL. Within a 29mm outer circle, PANAMA - CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION . SAN DIEGO. Rev. Plain. Brass; 34mm; scallop (8) edged, top looped.